APPENDIX II

CONSTITUTION OF THE PHILIPPINES

Adopted by the Philiffine Constitutional Convention at the City oj Manila, Philifpne Islands, on the Eighth Day of February, Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-five

The Filipino people, imploring the aid of Divine Providence, in order to establish a government that shall embody their ideals, conserve and develop the patrimony of the nation, promote the general welfare, and secure to themselves and their posterity the blessings of independence under a regime of justice, liberty, and democracy, do ordain and promulgate this Constitution.

ARTICLE I

THE NATIONAL TERRITORY

SECTION i. The Philippines comprises all the territory ceded to the United States by the treaty of Paris concluded between the United States and Spain on the tenth day of December, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, the limits of which are set forth in Article III of said treaty, together with all the islands embraced in the treaty concluded at Washington, between the United States and Spain on the seventh day of November, nineteen hundred, and in the treaty concluded between the United States and Great Britain on the second day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty, and all territory over which the present Government of the Philippine Islands exercises jurisdiction.

ARTICLE II

DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

SECTION i. The Philippines is a republican state. Sovereignty resides in the people and all government authority emanates from them.

SEC. 2, The defense of the State is a prime duty of government,